

IN THE CLAIMS

Please replace the previous listing of claims with the following new listing:

Claims 1 to 21 (canceled).

Claim 22 (new): A cutting and nipping device for cutting and nipping a web, comprising:

a first cutting cylinder having a first segmented cutting blade with axially spaced first blade edges and a first cutting cylinder nipping surface extending circumferentially about the first cutting cylinder from the first blade edges; and

E1 a first anvil cylinder having a first anvil cylinder nipping surface extending circumferentially about the first anvil cylinder;

the first cutting cylinder nipping surface and the first anvil cylinder nipping surface providing a first nip for the web about the first segmented cutting blade.

Claim 23 (new): The cutting and nipping device as recited in claim 22 wherein the first cutting cylinder nipping surface has a urethane outer coating.

Claim 24 (new): The cutting and nipping device as recited in claim 22 wherein the first anvil cylinder nipping surface has a urethane outer coating.

Claim 25 (new): The cutting and nipping device as recited in claim 24 wherein the first anvil cylinder nipping surface has a continuous urethane outer coating

Claim 26 (new): The cutting and nipping device as recited in claim 22 wherein the first cutting cylinder includes a two-part metallic hub.

Claim 27 (new): The cutting and nipping device as recited in claim 26 wherein the urethane outer coating is bonded to the outer surface of the hub.

Claim 28 (new): The cutting and nipping device as recited in claim 22 wherein the first anvil cylinder includes a two-part metallic hub.

Claim 29 (new): The cutting and nipping device as recited in claim 28 wherein the urethane outer coating is bonded to the outer surface of the hub.

Claim 30 (new): The cutting and nipping device as recited in claim 22 wherein the first cutting cylinder has two first segmented cutting blades spaced 180 degrees apart.

Claim 31 (new): The cutting and nipping device as recited in claim 22 wherein the first cutting cylinder and the first anvil cylinder are indexable circumferentially with respect to one another.

Claim 32 (new): The cutting and nipping device as recited in claim 22 wherein the first cutting cylinder and the first anvil cylinder are center distance adjustable with respect to one another.

Claim 33 (new): A folder for a web printing press, comprising:

a first cutting and nipping device for partially cutting and nipping a web, the first cutting and nipping device having:

a first cutting cylinder, the first cutting cylinder having a first segmented cutting blade with axially spaced first blade edges and a first cutting cylinder nipping surface extending circumferentially about the first cutting cylinder from the first blade edges; and

a first anvil cylinder, the first anvil cylinder having a first anvil cylinder nipping surface extending circumferentially about the first anvil cylinder;

the first cutting cylinder nipping surface and the first anvil cylinder nipping surface providing a first nip for web about the first segmented cutting blade.

Claim 34 (new): The folder as recited in claim 33 wherein the first cutting cylinder nipping surface has a urethane outer coating.

Claim 35 (new): The folder as recited in claim 33 wherein the first anvil cylinder nipping surface has a urethane outer coating.

Claim 36 (new): The folder as recited in claim 33, further comprising:

a second cutting and nipping device for cutting and nipping the web, the a second cutting and nipping device having:

a second cutting cylinder, the a second cutting cylinder having a second segmented cutting blade with axially spaced second blade edges and a second cutting cylinder nipping surface extending circumferentially about the second cutting cylinder from the second blade edges; and

a second anvil cylinder, the second anvil cylinder having a second anvil cylinder nipping surface extending circumferentially about the second anvil cylinder;

the second cutting cylinder nipping surface and the second anvil cylinder nipping surface providing a second nip for the web about the second segmented cutting blade.

Claim 37 (new): The folder as recited in claim 36 wherein the second cutting cylinder nipping surface has a urethane outer coating.

Claim 38 (new): The folder as recited in claim 36 wherein the second anvil cylinder nipping surface has a urethane outer coating.

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Claim 39 (new): The folder as recited in claim 36 further comprising belts for guiding the web past the second cutting and nipping device.

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